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SUBJECT: CSCE: POSSIBLE MEETING AT NATO ON MILITARY
ASPECTS OF CSCE

REF: USNATO 5550

1. SUGGESTION HAS BEEN MADE IN NATO CAUCUS HERE THAT MEETING OF NATO POLADS WITH PARTICIPATION OF MILITARY SECURITY SPECIALISTS FROM CSCE MIGHT BE USEFUL. WE UNDERSTAND SIMILAR SUGGESTION HAS BEEN FLOATED BY ALLIES IN BRUSSELS AND THAT MEETING MIGHT TAKE PLACE NEXT WEEK.

2. FOLLOWING IS INFORMAL WORKING LIST OF ITEMS SUGGESTED FOR DISCUSSION IN BRUSSELS. LIST REFLECTS BROAD RANGE OF INTERESTS OF NATO REPS TO CSCE SUBCOMMITTEE ON MILITARY SECURITY. CSCE REPS AGREED THAT PAPER IN NO WAY COMMITS DELEGATIONS TO ANY PARTICULAR POINT OF VIEW AND WAS DESIGNED SOLELY TO SERVE AS AGENDA FOR DISCUSSION. REPS SENDING PROPOSED AGENDA THROUGH NATIONAL CHANNELS WHILE CANADIAN REP, WHO ORIGINALLY SUGGESTED MEETING, UNDERTOOK TO TRANSMIT LIST TO NATO SECRETARIAT.
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BEGIN TEXT.

THE NATO DELEGATIONS AT THE CSCE SUGGEST THE FOLLOWING
LIST OF SUBJECTS FOR DISCUSSION AT A POSSIBLE MEETING IN
BRUSSELS DURING THE WEEK BEGINNING NOVEMBER 19, 1973:

I. SHORT TERM
A. CBM

A. NOTIFICATION OF MANEUVERS
1. AREA OF APPLICATION
2. SIZE OF FORCES TO WHICH ANNOUNCEMENT MIGHT APPLY
3. CATEGORY OF FORCES
4. LENGTH OF NOTICE REQUIRED
5. CONTENT OF NOTIFICATION
6. ILLUSTRATIVE LIST
7. SWEDISH DEFINITION

B. NOTIFICATION OF MOVEMENTS
1. DEFINITION
2. TACTICS
3. HOW TO ANSWER USSR QUESTIONS

C. OBSERVERS
1. INVITATION PROCEDURES
2. TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR OBSERVERS

D. SPANISH PROPOSALS

E. SWEDISH PROPOSAL

F. CONCEPT OF SELF-RESTRAINT

G. NATURE OF OBLIGATION

B. M.B.F.R.

A. "UNDIMINISHED SECURITY"

B. INFORMATION
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C. "EXPRESSION OF VIEWS BY NON-PARTICIPANTS"

II. LONG-TERM PROBLEMS

A. PREPARATION OF A POSSIBLE DRAFT ON CBM'S

B. FUTURE WORK

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3. IN CAUCUS DISCUSSIONS HERE WE STRESSED MINIMAL POSITION OF U.S. AND PARTICULARLY NEED FOR ALLIES TO SOON AGREE THAT SOVIETS HAVE, IN FACT, ACCEPTED POLITICAL ONUS OF TURNING DOWN THE ADVANCE NOTIFICATION OF MOVEMENTS. WE INSERTED ITEM 2, LABLED "TACTICS" UNDER NOTIFICATION OF MOVEMENTS IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FURTHER OPPORTUNITY FOR PRESSING ALLIES ON THIS ISSUE.

4. GENERAL TENOR OF DISCUSSION INDICATED THAT MOST REPS RECOGNIZE THAT LIST IS PROBABLY TOO EXTENSIVE TO PERMIT DEGREE OF DISCUSSION DESIRED, AND THAT DECISIONS WILL NOT LIKELY BE FORTHCOMING AT MEETING BUT, NEVERTHELESS, FEEL IT DESIRABLE TO BRING TO ATTENTION OF NATO REPS THE VARIOUS PROBLEMS WHICH ARE CONFRONTING CSCE IN THE MILITARY SECURITY FIELD.

5. WHILE WE HAVE NO SPECIAL REASONS TO SEEK SUCH A COMBINED MEETNG WE ARE PREPARED TO SEND USDEL MILITARY SECURITY REPRESENTATIVES TO BRUSSELS IF WASHINGTON AND NATO CONSIDER THIS USEFUL.

6. IF DEPT, SECDEF AND U.S. NATO CONCUR REQUEST DEPT AUTHORIZE TRAVEL FOR E.P. SMITH AND COL. F.L. WILSON TO BRUSSELS AND RETURN DURING PERIOD 19-23 NOVEMBER.BASSIN

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